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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	Raymond Grant Rowe
Serial No.	09/773,782
Filing Date	February 2, 2001
For	CREEP RESISTANT ZIRCONIUM ALLOY AND NUCLEAR FUEL CLADDING INCORPORATING SAID ALLOY
Examiner	Harry D. Wilkins III
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
FIRST NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION AFTER RCE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 18, 2003, rejecting claims 1-7 and 18-41 of the above-identified Application, Applicant respectfully requests that the following remarks be considered.

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